



Mohawk Council Communiqué

Monday, 29, Onerahtohkó:wa/May 2023

Meeting at Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke

In: Ratitsénhaienhs Michael Delisle Jr. (Chairperson), Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer (attended remotely), Jessica Lazare (attended remotely for two (2) agenda items), Tonya Perron (attended remotely), Cody Diabo, Ryan Montour, Ross Montour, Harry Rice, Arnold Boyer, Iohahi:io Delisle, and Stephen McComber

Out: Lindsay LeBorgne (Wellness Day)

Also Present: Tyanna Kirby (Council Meeting Administrator), Winona Polson-Lahache (Chief Political Advisor), David Lahache (Public Relations), and Assistant to the Council of Chiefs Sarah Delisle

Housekeeping

- Ohén:ton Karihwatéhkwén by Ross Montour
- Cheque Signers this week: Lindsay LeBorgne & Arnold Boyer
- Public Relations Items – Chiefs Uncut – Arnold Boyer – June 5, 2023 – Recording on June 2; Press Scrum Friday, June 2, 2023 – available Ratitsénhaienhs to attend
- Invitation to Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer to take part in Verdun's 150th anniversary (2025) planning committee event – June 15, 2023 - Sky-Deer to participate
- June 1, 2023 - Tawatohni'saktha/MCK Economic Summit – all day event – All Ratitsénhaienhs to attend
- Travel Request – Michael Delisle Jr., June 14, 2023 - Gaming Conference in Toronto – **Passed by Consensus**
- Travel Request - Stephen McComber - Indigenous Centre for Cumulative Effects (ICCE) Conference in Ottawa, May 31, 2023 – **Passed by Consensus**
- **Cody Diabo:** Wednesday: Land Management Chiefs Training (virtual meeting); Friday: prep session for the Tioweró:ton Community Meeting, weekly Consultation Committee, review of requests for Land Management, and Hydro-Quebec meetings; Saturday: Tioweró:ton Community Meeting
- **Jessica Lazare:** Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: Iroquois Caucus (Six Nations); Friday: prep session for the Tioweró:ton Community Meeting, Technical Drafting Committee for Community Review Board Amendments; Saturday: Tioweró:ton Community Meeting
- **Ryan Montour:** Wednesday: meeting with the Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission (KGC), and Kahnawà:ke Labor Office update session; Saturday: participating in the MCK dragon boat competition
- **Harry Rice:** Wednesday: recreation planning with the Kahnawà:ke Youth Center; Friday: Technical Drafting Committee for Community Review Board Amendments
- **Stephen McComber:** Wednesday: attending the ICCE Conference in Ottawa; Friday: Three Sisters Garden group, and Kahnawà:ke Collective Impact meetings
- **Ross Montour:** Monday: check-in with Consultation Team; Wednesday: Kahnawà:ke/Canada Relations (KCR)/Seigneurie of Sault St. Louis (SSSL) meeting; Friday: weekly Consultation Committee, and Consultation meetings, Vacation (pm)
- **Arnold Boyer:** Friday: Ministry of Transport and Sustainable Mobility Transport, and Jacques Cartier & Champlain Bridges Incorporated bi-weekly meetings
- **Iohahi:io Delisle:** Wednesday: CANSEC Networking event in Gatineau, and Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre Board of Directors meeting; Thursday: Onkwata'karitáhtshera meeting; Friday: Kahnawà:ke Shakotia'takehnhas Community Services Health Plan meeting
- **Michael Delisle Jr.:** Wednesday: KCR/SSSL meeting; Friday: lunch-meeting & site visit with Christian Ouellette (Mayor of Delson), Transport, and Kahnawà:ke Gaming Commission weekly meetings
- **Tonya Perron:** Monday: Iroquois Caucus (Six Nations), and Kahnawà:ke Cannabis Control Board (attended virtually) meetings; Tuesday & Wednesday: Iroquois Caucus (Six Nations); Friday Kahnawà:ke Legislative Commission orientation session for Communications Representative, Technical Drafting Committee for Community Review Board Amendments
- **Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer:** Monday & Tuesday: Iroquois Caucus meeting (Six Nations); Wednesday: Iroquois Caucus (attending virtually while commuting to Ottawa), CANSEC Networking Event in Gatineau; ANCA Clean Energy Conference (Utica, NY)



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Agenda Items

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Approval of Financial Contribution and Agreement with Ministry of Culture and Communications (MCC) Language Learning Classes

Presence of Ohonsakethe Montour Kanien'kehá:ka Onkwawén:na Raotitíóhkwa Language and Cultural Center (KORLCC) - Cultural Development Officer), Erica Delisle (Director of Financial Services), Portfolio Chief: Jessica Lazare. Request to the Council of Chiefs to authorize the application for a grant request to the Ministry of Culture & Communications of Quebec for an amount of \$11,250.00 for Language Learning Classes. The MCK commits to contributing a minimum financial contribution of \$750.00 with an additional \$3,000.00 in-kind services contribution. The MCK designates Ietsénhaienhs Jessica Lazare, Heritage Portfolio Chief as its authorized representative to sign any and all documents required to give effect to the present agreement. **Approved by Consensus**

Mohawk Council Executive Directive: Approval of Financial Contribution and Agreement with Ministry of Culture and Communications (Kanien'ké:ha Okara'shòn:'a - Book)

Presence of Ohonsakethe Montour (KORLCC Cultural Development Officer), Erica Delisle (Director of Financial Services), Portfolio Chief: Jessica Lazare. Request to the Council of Chiefs to authorize the application for a grant request to the MCC for an amount of \$20,000.00 for the Kanien'kéha Okara'shòn:'a Book. The MCK commits to contributing a minimum financial contribution of \$1,500.00 with an additional \$8,500.00 in-kind services contribution. **Approved by Consensus**

Gaming Discussion: Client Attorney Privilege

Presence of Mary Lee Armstrong (Director of Legal Services), Stacey Douglas (Legal Services), Dean Montour (Chief Executive Officer of Mohawk Online).

Executive Director Update

Onerahtókha Marquis provided updates on hiring of new Directors for the Lands and Human Resources Units, update on Public Safety & Asbestos Containing Materials, and the Aboriginal Initiatives Fund file.

Ratitsénhaienhs Updates

- Cody Diabo updated on the strategic workshop on renewable energies conference,
- Ross Montour updated on the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Action Plan focus groups and upcoming report, Archaeology/Heritage file event in Montreal
- Harry Rice updated on the Sports & Recreation Portfolio, and the First Nations Education Council (FNEC) Games (Ancestors Challenge)
- Iohahi:io Delisle updated on fund-raising meetings
- Steven McComber updated on the Food Sovereignty Conference (Brossard), Sustainable Development Portfolio, and potential local agricultural/gardening projects
- Arnold Boyer updated on the Infrastructure, Transport & Operations Portfolio, Ministère des Transports du Québec/Mercier Bridge, and the JCCBI files.
- Michael Delisle Jr. provided an update on the First Nation Sustainable Development Conference and presentation in Brossard, and the Gaming file
- Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer updated on the Agora Conference in Montreal, the on-going working relationship with the City of Lachine, meeting with the Grand Chief of Odanak, presentation to the David Suzuki Foundation & Gala event in Montreal, Public Service and Procurement Canada for Indigenous Business Directory, the TransAmérique Festival in Montreal and AFNQL/MCK/FNEC Languages meeting in Montreal
- Closing by Ross Montour. Meeting ended at **4:00pm**